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Acronym: BFPA

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Name: Ethnic Minorities Health Problems Foundation

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National Network of Health Mediators (NNHM) is non-governmental organization founded in 2009. It operates national wide in 70 municipalities for 2014. It unites health mediators, health, social and educational experts. The network members are predominately health mediators – a position recognized by the state as professionals that provide counseling, informational, referral and accompanying health related services to the most deprived strata of the society – people in distant areas, segregated communities, marginalized groups.

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Bulgarian Family Planning and Sexual Health Association (BFPA) is non-governmental organization in public benefit founded in 1992. BFPA works for the promotion and provision of services in the field family planning, reproductive health and gender issues, assuring access to healthcare services for vulnerable communities, prevention of sexually transmitted infections and HIV. The association activities include medical service provision, trainings in the field of sexual and reproductive health, organization and implementation of health related campaigns, and conducting of researches. The main beneficiaries of BFPA are mainstream young people and young people in institutions, young people with special educational needs, people with difficult access to health, educational and social services, people and staff in penitentiary institutions. BFPA has national coverage and maintain 5 center in the country.

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Ethnic Minority Health Problems Foundation (EMHPF) is non-governmental organization founded in 1997. The organization works for improvement of minorities' access to the health care and social services through implementation of wholesome educational, health, social and cultural projects and programs. The activities include development and establishment of the citizen's society values, actions for social integration and personal realization of disadvantaged Roma and overcoming discrimination in health in social services. EMHPF maintains information system for the support of medical and ethnological research and for raising awareness of the minority groups' health and social problems. Specific focus is put on the social integration of chronically ill and disabled people from Roma and other minority groups. The organization has national coverage.